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April 27, 2011

Honorable Anne K. Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

Subject:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company Abandonment in Polk County, Iowa

STB Docket Number AB-290 (Sub-No. 322X)

Dear Ms. Quinlan,

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On November 16, 2010, the Board issued a decision in the above-referenced proceeding imposing a Notice of Interim Use (NITU) condition. The time period is to expire on May 16, 2011. The City of Grimes, Iowa, is requesting an additional 180-day extension to continue negotiating with Norfolk Southern Railway Company concerning the acquisition of the subject property for trail use.

By my signature below, I certify service upon Norfolk Southern Railway Company, Attn: James A. Hixon, Exec VP of Law and Corporate Relations, Three Commercial Place, Norfolk, Virginia 23510 and Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd., Attn: Corporate Counsel, 5900 6<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404, by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, first class, on April 27, 2011

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF GRIMES, IOWA

Bv:

Mayor Thomas Armstrong

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